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DEVELOPMENT OF A LARGE NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELI-
COPTER, MOSCOW, USSR

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

A LARGE NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELICOPTER IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT IN THE MOSCOW AREA. TWO SUCH HELICOPTERS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS, ONE AT A HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT IN THE MOSCOW SUBURB OF TOMILINO AND THE OTHER AT A SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED TEST SITE NEAR MOSCOW/BYKOVO AIRFIELD. WHEN COMPLETED THIS NEW HELICOPTER WILL BE AT LEAST TWICE AS LARGE AS THE HOOK OR HARKE.

2. LOCATION:

TOMILINO: 12 NM SE FROM THE CENTER OF MOSCOW.
MOSCOW/BYKOVO AIRFIELD: 17 NM SE FROM THE CENTER OF MOSCOW.

3. REMARKS:

A LARGE NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELICOPTER WAS FIRST IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ANALYSIS ON

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[REDACTED] IT WAS LOCATED

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2 NAUTICAL MILES NORTH OF THE MOSCOW/BYKOVO
AIRFIELD AT A SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED TEST
SITE (53-38-50N 038-04-50E). A PRELIMINARY
FIRST ANALYSIS OF THIS TEST SITE BY NPIC
IDENTIFIED IT AS A LARGE PROBABLE HELICOPTER
ROTOR TEST STAND. THIS ANALYSIS HAS NOW
BEEN CHANGED AFTER A MORE DETAILED STUDY OF

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OF AN IDENTICAL LARGE NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELI-
COPTER AT A HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERI-
MENTAL PLANT NEAR TOMILINO, A MOSCOW SUBURB.
THE HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL
PLANT IS SITUATED APPROXIMATELY 4.5 NAUTICAL
MILES NORTHWEST OF THE TEST SITE, WITHIN THE
CONFINES OF THE TOMILINO AEROSPACE RESEARCH
AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (55-39-58N 037-56-05E).
THE HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL
PLANT IS KNOWN TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE
SOVIET HELICOPTER DESIGNER, M.L. MIL.

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THERE HAVE BEEN MANY REPORTS DURING THE PAST YEAR RELATIVE TO THE SOVIET DEVELOPMENT OF A HELICOPTER LARGER THAN THE HOOK OR HARKE; HOWEVER, NONE OF THESE REPORTS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED. CONTINUED SOVIET STATEMENTS CONCERNING PLANS AND REQUIREMENTS POINT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH HELICOPTERS.

SOVIET SOURCES AT THE 1967 PARIS AIR SHOW STATED THAT MIL IS WORKING ON A NEW HELICOPTER THAT WILL BE LARGER THAN THE HOOK OR HARKE. A LARGE HELICOPTER WAS REPORTEDLY GOING TO BE DISPLAYED AS A LATE SURPRISE ENTRY AT THE AIR SHOW BUT NEVER APPEARED.

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DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT ON

[REDACTED] REPORTED SIGHTING A POSSIBLE

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NEW HELICOPTER. THE DELEGATION WAS SHOWN THROUGH THE MACHINE SHOP, BUT NOT THROUGH THE MAIN ASSEMBLY HANGAR. THE BUILDING WAS

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SCREENED OFF UP TO TWO-THIRDS OF ITS HEIGHT
WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY 85 FEET. ABOVE THIS
SCREEN TWO LARGE ARC STRUCTURES IN JIGS
COULD BE SEEN.

AN ARTICLE IN AVIATION WEEK AND SPACE
TECHNOLOGY DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1968 INDICATES
THAT ANOTHER SOVIET HELICOPTER DESIGNER,
N.I. KAMOV, MAY ALSO BE DEVELOPING A LARGE
NEW HELICOPTER. THE ARTICLE FURTHER STATES
THAT THE GROSS WEIGHT OF THIS HELICOPTER IS
BETWEEN 100 AND 150 TONS AND THAT IT USES A
CONTRA-ROTATING ROTOR SYSTEM.

5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION:

TEST SITE: [REDACTED]

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HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT:

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6. NEGATION DATE:

TEST SITE: [REDACTED]

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HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT:

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7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:

4 KH-4 AND 1 KH-7 MISSIONS.

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8. DIMENSIONS/
SPECIFICATIONS:

NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELICOPTER BEING ASSEMBLED AT THE

TEST SITE:

FUSELAGE LENGTH

FUSELAGE DIAMETER

ROTOR : FIVE BLADED

RADIUS OF ROTOR

DISTANCE BETWEEN
ROTOR HUB CENTERS : 105 FT (APPROX)

HEIGHT OF ROTORS
FROM CONCRETE PAD

CENTER FUSELAGE HEIGHT: 25 FT (APPROX)

ENGINE HOUSING

CONSTRUCTION STATUS : INCOMPLETE

NEW TWIN ROTOR HELICOPTER LOCATED AT A

HELICOPTER DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT,

TOMILINO:

FUSELAGE LENGTH : 125 FT (APPROX)
(BASED ON KH-4
PHOTOGRAPHY)

CONSTRUCTION STATUS : PROBABLY COMPLETE

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9. MISSION READOUT: A PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS OF THE LARGE NEW TWIN-ROTOR HELICOPTER AND THE SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED TEST SITE IS AS FOLLOWS: THE TEST SITE, WHICH COVERS AN AREA OF APPROXIMATELY 200 ACRES, WAS FIRST OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN [REDACTED] AND IS STILL IN AN EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION. THE LARGE HELICOPTER WAS FIRST SEEN AT THE TEST SITE IN [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPHY OF GOOD INTERPRETABILITY IN [REDACTED] REVEALS THAT THE HELICOPTER WAS BEING ASSEMBLED ON A PROBABLE CONCRETE PAD, APPROXIMATELY 250 BY 200 FEET, LOCATED NEAR THE CENTER OF THE TEST SITE. ASSEMBLY OF THE HELICOPTER HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED. IN MAY 1967 IT CONSISTED OF A FUSELAGE APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] DIAMETER. TWIN BOOMS, CENTRALLY LOCATED, EXTEND FROM OPPOSITE SIDES OF THE FUSELAGE. A PROBABLE ENGINE HOUSING AND A FIVE-BLADED ROTOR WERE MOUNTED ON ONE BOOM, AND A PROBABLE ENGINE HOUSING HAD BEEN MOUNTED ON THE OTHER BOOM. A MOBILE CRANE WAS IN POSITION NEAR THE SECOND BOOM, PROBABLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MOUNTING A SECOND FIVE BLADED-ROTOR. THE RADIUS OF THE FIVE-BLADED ROTOR ALREADY MOUNTED IS APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] INDICATING THAT IT MAY BE THE SAME TYPE OF ROTOR UTILIZED BY THE HOOK OR HARKE. THE DISTANCE BETWEEN ROTOR HUB CENTERS IS APPROXIMATELY 105 FEET. THE HEIGHT OF EACH ROTOR HUB FROM THE PROBABLE CONCRETE PAD IS

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[REDACTED] THE HEIGHT OF THE CENTER OF THE FUSELAGE IS
APPROXIMATELY 25 FEET. THE PROBABLE ENGINE HOUSINGS ARE APPROXIMATELY

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[REDACTED] THE INTERPRETABILITY OF
PHOTOGRAPHY COVERING THE NEW HELICOPTER HAS VARIED FROM POOR TO FAIR,
MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE ITS ASSEMBLY STATUS. THE MOST RECENT
OBSERVATION WAS ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF POOR INTERPRETABILITY [REDACTED]

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A LARGE TWIN-ROTOR HELICOPTER, ALMOST IDENTICAL TO THE ONE AT THE
TEST SITE, WAS LOCATED AT THE DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT ON

[REDACTED] THE DESIGN BUREAU/EXPERIMENTAL PLANT
WAS VISIBLE [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPHY, BUT THE NEW

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HELICOPTER WAS NOT OBSERVED; HOWEVER, A LARGE UNIDENTIFIED PROBABLE
FUSELAGE APPROXIMATELY 130 FEET LONG [REDACTED] WAS OBSERVED
ADJACENT TO A LARGE ASSEMBLY BUILDING. LATER COVERAGE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REVEALED THAT THE
UNIDENTIFIED FUSELAGE WAS STILL IN THE SAME LOCATION. THE LARGE NEW
HELICOPTER WAS ALSO OBSERVED ON BOTH OF THESE MISSIONS.

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THE LARGE NEW HELICOPTER AT THE EXPERIMENTAL PLANT APPEARS TO BE
MORE COMPLETE THAN THE ONE AT THE TEST SITE. THE FUSELAGE IS APPROXI-
MATELY 125 FEET LONG AND APPEARS TO HAVE BOTH HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL

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STABILIZERS. THIS HELICOPTER WAS NOT OBSERVED AT THE PLANT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HOWEVER, THE PHOTOGRAPHY OBTAINED FROM THIS MISSION

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REVEALED A LARGE PROBABLE SHOP BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND THE
REMOVAL OF SNOW FROM THE ENTRANCE TO THE LARGE ASSEMBLY BUILDING AND
THE ADJACENT LARGE CONCRETE APRON.

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